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■ **Illegitimate Visit:** The African National Congress is skeptical about a visit to South Africa by the Netherlands' Prime Minister Lubbers. Saying that the visit "would legitimize an illegitimate regime..." The ANC response went on to say that "it is also regrettable that representatives of the Dutch government made no efforts to find out the ANC views on such a visit."
— SOUTH AFRICA

■ **Children at Risk:** Approximately 4.6 million African-American children have blood cholesterol levels that may place them at risk for developing cardiovascular diseases (CVD), according to the 1992 edition of "Heart and Stroke Facts," an American Heart Association annual publication that presents statistics and information on all types of heart disease and stroke. However, the report says that overall death rates from heart attack and stroke have been declining steadily. Healthier lifestyles and advances in medical treatments are reasons for these declines, according to "1992 Heart and Stroke Facts."
— GALVESTON, TEXAS

■ **Discipline for Attorneys:** In 1990, 100 New Jersey attorneys were publicly disciplined for ethical violations. The discipline by the State Supreme Court took the form of disbarments (31), temporary suspensions (34), and public reprimands (35). These disciplinary actions resulted from violations of the Rules of Professional Conduct. Fifty-two rules adopted by the New Jersey Supreme Court prescribe the guidelines for ethical conduct which licensed attorneys must adhere. Failure to follow the ethical standards can result in discipline by the Supreme Court ranging from a private letter of reprimand to permanent disbarment.
— NEW JERSEY

10.3 million awarded to hospitals

PLAINFIELD — Four urban hospitals have been awarded grants totaling \$10.3 million under a demonstration program aimed at increasing access to primary care services, Governor Jim Florio announced recently.

"This is a significant step toward improving the cost, the delivery and the quality of health care. It will take children out of the emergency room. It will give families a sense of dignity and sense of hope," said Governor Florio at Muhlenberg.

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Council grapples with budget, review boards

by Denise M. Gormain

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield City Council agreed, last Monday evening to introduce amendments to the city's \$37.1 million budget, that would cut an additional \$203,000 from the embattled budget.

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'State of Black America' reports on urban Marshall Plan

by Larry A. Still

WASHINGTON, DC (NPA) — While President George Bush prepared his annual State of the Union address by facing up to the country's growing recession, National Urban League President John E. Jacob delivered his "State of Black America" report for the nation in the civil rights organization's 17th consecutive "State of Black America" report.

Speaking at the National Press Club in Washington last week, the NUL chief executive once again called for a "Marshall Plan" in a ten year, \$50 billion annual program to rebuild America's urban areas similar to the methods the United States government used to rebuild European inner cities after World War Two. That project was headed by Gen. George C. Marshall, former military Chief of Staff in the same

post now held by Gen. Colin C. Powell.

During the almost 20 years since the NUL first called for the "Marshall Plan" in the US, "White America wasn't doing too badly," Jacob said, but "in all of those years, Black America was in a state of economic recession. African Americans are in danger of drowning, while white Americans are wondering whether their boats will stay afloat." Every indicator of economic well being, whether unemployment rates or poverty rates or income, shows that African Americans are far worse than whites, reported Jacob.

In emphasizing that at least 12 million people are out of work, twice that many are getting food stamps and welfare rolls are at a record high, Jacob declared "this recession is helping to uncover America's dirty little secret—that the victims

of poverty, unemployment, and hardship are predominantly black. (They) are most of the unemployed, most of the poor, most of the welfare recipients, most of the food stamp recipients... It's harder to pin their plight on the lack of a work ethic or on stereotyped racial characteristics," he stated.

During the past decade, America bought the myth of the "right wing" that turned poor people into a "no-called underclass... It's time for America to once again realize that most of the poor are poor because they lack opportunities; that most of the unemployed would work if jobs were available; that most welfare recipients want to be independent; and that government has a constructive role to play, he added.

Jacob said funds to rebuild America's infrastructure should come from increased taxes. "I'm (continued on page 8)

Church leader calls for action to cure social ills

NEW YORK — Dr. Theodore J. Jemison, president of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., representing more than 30,000 member churches and over 8.5 million black Baptists, the largest black Christian constituency in the world, is calling for a national summit of heads of national black religious, financial, business and social organizations to exchange ideas and collaborate on financial support of programs to give a new Christocentric dimension to health care, education, hunger, joblessness, and homelessness.

"Too long have black churches taken up collections on Sunday, deposited them in white banks on Monday, and been red-lined on

Friday. Too long has the tax money of degenerated second-class citizens been used to finance the farms and corporations of those who consider themselves being subsidized when they are really getting the welfare denied to children and families who need it most."

"Declaring that the domestic wars on illiteracy, poverty, miseducation, drug abuse, and racism have been lost, Dr. Jemison stated, adding that, "in this national season of moral leadership it is now time for blacks to join together in the communities across all 50 states, using the gospel of Jesus Christ as our guide and his peaceful means as our methodology to solve our worsening problems."

Dr. Theodore J. Jemison

Powell Power — Ode to an unsung hero

By Neil E. Künzle

NEWARK — Black History month serves many commendable purposes. One thing that it does is make Americans aware of the pantheon of black leaders who have fought so selflessly for social justice. Hidden within many of us lies a favorite; someone who for one reason or another stands above the rest. On purely objective grounds this favorite may not deserve top billing. But due to some quick or complex psychological process we cling to our favorite with a tenacity equaling the determination of all those leaders who at considerable risk gave us the way.

For an ever shrinking minority the favorite remains the same; And Clayton Powell. And Clayton Powell you say. How could anybody with a sense of history select Powell over such stalwart figures as Dr. King and Malcolm X.

The defense of Powell must begin with the realization that dogmatism has no place in this domain. A parallel situation exists in the domain of classical music. The choice of Bach over Beethoven, for instance, cannot be girded by some reference to musical theory alone. Somewhere down the line the avid Bach fan must enter a murky subjective realm in his defense of Bach over Beethoven. Things like striking an inner cord or producing a state of bliss must eventually enter the equation. With the introduction

of these subjective components a corresponding liberal outlook generally ensues. Feathers don't get ruffled when there is a disagreement. Only the border would press his point to the extent that all opposition is stifled.

The transition from music to politics can be facilitated through this experience of touching a sensitive cord. Millions of people for instance were touched by the passionate "I Have A Dream" speech which was so skillfully delivered by Dr. King. Once this happens it is virtually impossible to dislodge this experience from consciousness. For many Dr. King will always be the consummate activist. It would be foolish to even attempt to dislodge Dr. King from his lofty perch; but after all is said and done I still feel compelled to take up the cudgel in defense of Mr. Powell.

In order to appreciate the power and influence of a man like Powell it is sometimes necessary to focus on a central theme which permeated his life work. The rather blunt and obvious theme of his advocacy for the poor and the uneducated misses the mark as a reason for his larger than life legacy. Beyond the pivotal part he played in President Johnson's war on poverty lies a more critical aspect of his life which will provide him with a kind of earthly immortality. Of all the attributes which can be ascribed to Powell there is no one, friend or foe, who can accuse him of being a hypocrite. He never said one thing in public which was

at odds with his private behavior. He was a rare public figure who was for real.

Powell's war on hypocrisy has endeared him to the American public more than his almost frenetic fight against illiteracy. For many he has become a modern version of the

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Celebrating King



The YMWCA of Newark celebrated its 21st Annual Martin Luther King Breakfast. Acting CEO of the Newark Y Martin Harrison opened the program and welcomed the attendees. Dr. Elmer Flagg (standing) served as Master of Ceremonies. Mildred Chung (left) consultant to the State of New Jersey, introduced the keynote speaker seated next to Harrison, Prof. Morris Bridgforth of Essex County College.



US Senator Frank R. Lautenberg, left and Mayor Cardell Cooper, center, talk with George Congressman Michael Thurmond, keynote speaker at the annual celebration of the life of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., held at the Elmwood United Presbyterian Church in East Orange. Photo by Glen Frisken



Julian Bond (right), civil rights activist and past member of the Georgia General Assembly, speaks on "Civil Rights and Black Power: Past, Present and Future" at a day City State College program co-sponsored by the College's Offices of Student Services and Student Activities in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Currently a Distinguished Scholar in Residence at American University, a visiting professor at Harvard University, and the host of the television program, "America's Black Forum," Bond was welcomed to the JSCS campus by (from the left): Dr. William Maxwell, JSCS president; Marcia Stribling, JSCS director of student services; and Julian Robinson, JSCS vice president for student services.

State rests in Pannell case

HACKENSACK, NJ — During the third week of testimony in the trial of white Patroman Gary Spach charged with reckless manslaughter of black teenager Phillip Pannell, the state rested its case Jan. 27 after expert witnesses used physical evidence to support accounts from eyewitnesses who say Pannell had his hands up.

Defense attorney Robert Galante questioned two of Pannell's friends who testified that Pannell had a gun April 10, 1990, the day the black youth was fatally shot by the white police officer.

Leslie Johnson of Teaneck reportedly acknowledged he had seen Pannell's gun before, and knew that it had been fired before.

Under cross examination by Essex County Assistant Prosecutor Glenn D. Goldberg, the special deputy handling the case, Johnson said Pannell was only "joking around" with the gun.

"I told him to let me see it," I told him, "That's how people get shot, and I unloaded it," Johnson reportedly stated.

Johnson said he remained with Pannell right up to the time of the shooting and never saw Pannell reload the gun.

Pannell never put his hand into his pocket or made any kind of threatening gesture during the chase Johnson said.

Galante also questioned Jabbar Drakeford, a Teaneck teenager who said that Pannell held a gun to his head at a local park on the day of the shooting. Drakeford reportedly said he did not know if the gun was loaded, and he did not know if it belonged to Pannell.

Wayne Blanco, Pannell's Partner testified Wednesday Jan. 28 that Pannell had a gun and that he put his hand into his pocket in a threatening gesture. "There was no time, he was going to shoot us," he said.

Under cross-examination, Goldberg asked Blanco why he did not shoot. Blanco replied "because officer Spach beat me to it."

Before the state rested its case Dr. Michael Baden, a former New York City Chief Medical Examiner, and Lucien C. Haag a certified criminalist and ballistics expert for Phoenix, Arizona conducted several tests on African-American models the same stature of Phillip Pannell.

Baden said he reviewed X-rays, microscope slides, clothing, photographs and medical records related to the case.

"My role was to position the bullet entrance wound on the body to determine the bullet's trajectory," he said.

Baden said the bullet was found just under Pannell's armpit on his chest stating it didn't have enough energy to leave the body.

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CITY PEOPLE



Standing is Alice Jones, senior program development specialist for the Newark Office of Aging who accompanied Newark senior citizens on a bus trip to the War Memorial in Trenton to attend the State of New Jersey's 7th Annual Ecumenical Service in tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

New Plainfield police officers appointed

PLAINFIELD—Mayor Harold W. Mitchell announced seven new officers were sworn in on Thursday, January 30, 1992. With these seven new officers, the Police Division will be at an authorized strength of 145 sworn personnel.

The new officers, all Plainfield residents, will be assigned to the recently opened Union County Police Academy for 18 weeks of intensive training. The new officers are Lamar C. Gray, Robert B. Henderson, James P. Schukes, Scott M. Gonzalez, Jerry E. Plum, Craig Verson, and Steven A. Francisco.



R.B. Milligan, M.D. (r.), senior attending physician in the Department of Medicine at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center and Antonio Marcita (l.), co-owner and co-director of Len Line Inc. of South Plainfield have been elected to Muhlenberg's Board of Governors, each for a three-year term.



Newark resident, Linda Epps, dean of students at Bloomfield College has been elected a Fellow of Leadership New Jersey, Class of 1992.



Councilman Francis J. James of Carteret has recently been elected Grand Marshal of the 1992 Newark St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Coping

by

Dr. Charles W. Faulker

Controlling your anger

"I don't know what comes over me. I just impulsively get angry with him/her every time I see him/her. I don't even think about it, but I say something disrespectful, or do something nasty. I don't know why. I just do it."

This statement and the behavior that causes it has been the subject of the last six columns. Even if you have not followed the previous columns, it should be obvious to you that the person who carries out the above behaviors has serious emotional problems and should seek psychological counseling.

The mere fact of living from day-to-day in this highly competitive society causes one to have enormous feelings of insecurity which cause overwhelming stress. In many instances, we are able to cope with the stress and lead normal lives, especially if we have loving, supportive friends and relatives.

Unfortunately, many people do not have the so-called "support group" and are unable to cope. They might resort to drugs. They might abuse other people. They might suffer physical and psychological ills. Sleepless nights, skin rashes, poor memories, headaches, loss of motivation, feelings of anger at the world are typical symptoms of stress that is caused by personal insecurity. These problems are treatable with proper counseling.

Counseling is not the bug-a-boo that it was twenty years ago.

The intelligent individual is wise to seek counseling.

Everyone has feelings of insecurity, to some extent. These feelings are likely to intrude into every thought and into every relationship we have.

To be stable and mature, we must recognize the specific instances in which our insecurities reveal themselves in our lives. Then we must consciously control them. We must do everything possible to hide them, to keep them out of our relationships. At the very moment that we find ourselves having a problem keeping our insecurities out of our relationship, we should seek counseling.

It is clear that long-term insecurities can lead to deep depression and ruin every activity and relationship that we have.

Uncontrollable insecurities do not bring themselves under control. The troubled person needs to be able to identify his/her problems and their origins, which may be in our childhood. Then, he/she needs to establish behavioral objectives, that must be specific.

"I will stop arguing and criticizing my friend. When I feel pressured, I will do breathing exercises that will relieve me of the tension when I am with... (Mary, Jack, Betty or Frank). I will do everything possible to be friendly and respectful because when I make my friend happy, he/she will make me happy, also."

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TROUBLE BEHIND

Thursday, February 6 at 10:30 p.m.
Filmmaker Robbie Harmon visits the tiny town of Corbin, Kentucky, which has had no black residents since a series of race riots in 1919. The one-hour documentary provides a chilling portrait of racism at its most stubborn and invidious. (R) Length: 59 minutes. (Economy)

Great Performances: KATHLEEN BATTLE and WYNTON MARSALLS; BAROQUE DUET

Friday, February 7 at 10 p.m.
Two great talents join forces to perform the music of Scarlatti, Handel and Bach, accompanied by the St. Luke's Chamber Orchestra. This performance documentary also visits soprano Battle and her family in Ohio, and features trumpeter Marsalls playing with his father Ellis at a New Orleans jazz club. (R) Sunday, February 9 at 3 p.m.)

Caucus New Jersey Special: SHARPE JAMES

Friday, February 7 at 10:30 p.m.
A special discussion with the mayor of Newark focuses on his tenure and some of the critical issues he is facing: public education, public safety, commercial development and the large number of AIDS cases in the city. (R) Saturday, February 8 at 11 a.m.)

Film On Film: CHASING A RAINBOW: THE LIFE OF JOSEPHINE BAKER

Saturday, February 8 at 8 p.m.
An illustrious black girl from the St. Louis slums, Josephine Baker grew to become a woman who danced at the Folies Bergere, adopted 12 children, fought with the French Resistance in World War II, campaigned tirelessly for civil rights in the U.S., and became a symbol of a new freedom for women. (Encore)

CineMathèque: PRINCESS TAM-TAM

Saturday, February 8 at 9:30 p.m.
Immediately following the broadcast of her biography, Josephine Baker stars in this 1935 French adaptation of the Pygmalion story, directed by Edmond Greville. (Encore)

Cinema Thirteen: EMPEROR JONES

Saturday, February 8 at 10:50 p.m.
Paul Robeson stars as a Pullman porter who escapes from a chain gang and becomes king of a Caribbean island in this 1935 film, adapted from a play by Eugene O'Neill. (Encore)



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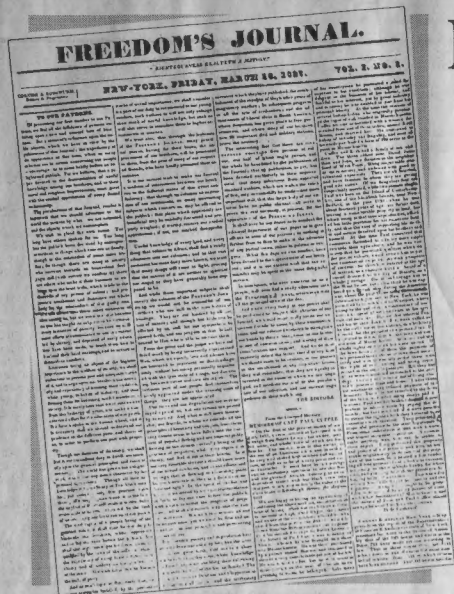
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EDITORIAL

A Lesson from Washington and DuBois

On the eve of this Black History Month, the experiences and harsh realities facing Black America are very sobering.

Economically, blacks at every rung of the corporate ladder as well as those on the assembly lines are getting pink slips with numerous "downsizing" or as Ruby Dee phrased it "cut-outs" and plant closings. Real property is being jeopardized by the rise in unemployment with families no longer able to meet even the most modest of mortgage payments.

Socially, and bearing heavily on economics, are the losses of affirmative action initiatives and other efforts which minimally sought to correct the gross injustices of years of unequal treatment.

Educationally, black elders (implying those with wisdom enough to see and understand) agonize over the miseducation and maleducation of our children. What is becoming more painful is the fact that those who had their origins in the black community are those who now play power games with the future generations of that same community.

Politically, blacks are still banking on politics which will continue to be token and inadequate as long as black politics is not firmly rooted in a strong economic base backed by educated, critical thinkers who are keenly aware of the social conditions of black people and who offer sound, double solutions.

During this troubled time, blacks might look to two men who many years ago gave us two mutually complementary ways of using our resources to become a powerful people. They were Booker T. Washington and W.E.B. DuBois. Simply put, we must become strong within our own communities developing our economic resources then we must make sure that our intellectual prowess serves to sustain and expand our economic pursuits.

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ancient Greek philosopher, Diogenes, who spat on political phonies and searched the no-man's-land for an honest man. In like fashion citizen Powell with his 20th century war on hypocrisy has managed to secure a place for himself as one of America's social movers.

He loved jazz and the sultry summer nights spent drinking and carousing in Harlem. Worse yet he refused to repeat those so-called sins to an all White Congress. He defiantly stated that he was a Black man and these are some of the things that a Black man does. He was the first American Black politician to refuse to metamorphosize into what is now referred to as an *oreo* cookie. For this "infraction" he was set up on false charges which eventually led to the disintegration of both his private and political life. But to the bitter end he could, without the slightest trace of hypocrisy, utter "I Yam What I Yam."

by the hypocritical rules which characterized Congressional life as well as *white middle class white America*. He was the first to *let it like it*, and he was simply adored for this courageous act.

He flaunted everything he had from his brains and charm to his elegant women and expensive cars. He loved jazz and the sultry summer nights spent drinking and carousing in Harlem. Worse yet he refused to repeat those so-called sins to an all White Congress. He defiantly stated that he was a Black man and these are some of the things that a Black man does. He was the first American Black politician to refuse to metamorphosize into what is now referred to as an *oreo* cookie. For this "infraction" he was set up on false charges which eventually led to the disintegration of both his private and political life. But to the bitter end he could, without the slightest trace of hypocrisy, utter "I Yam What I Yam."

Quote of the Week

"The Black Church is the only American institution which had its origin in the forests of Africa and survived slavery and we will not only survive the current enslavement of mis-education, inadequate health care, and the depression recession crippling this country, but we will be in the vanguard of the new peaceful recovery."

Rev. Theodore J. Jemison
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As I See it....

For years Hudson County politicians have been the butt of good and bad political jokes. However, Essex County seems best on challenging Hudson for the title of "Most unpredictable" in the topsy-turvy arena of elected officials.

Is it any wonder that in the county where everybody should vote the numbers are dropping at an alarming rate? Things are getting so muddled it's hard for voters to tell friends from foes on a day to day, week to week basis.

The latest unprecedented action by the East Orange City Council has been to publicly censure one of its members for allegedly instigating a recent brawl involving another council member.

Councilwoman Yvonne Blake lost her effort to avoid censorship by her colleagues 7-2 on a measure sponsored by Councilman Ralph A. Harris. Only Blake and councilman Philip Thigpen voted against the motion. Councilman Charles Robinson abstained.

Although the chagrined councilwoman protested about being "legged" without even being in a court of law, a fact she found "amazing," Harris stood his ground noting, "No member of this city council or citizen should have to fear for his or her safety...we must be able to discharge our council duties without fear or threat of intimidation."

Ms. Blake is alleged to have called her brother after a heated argument with councilman Stephen Thomas during a council meeting. Her brother, Larry and a friend went to Thomas' business office and allegedly physically attacked and assaulted the 65-year-old councilman.

Harris' measure to censure was supported by council members Thomas Claude B. Craig, Sr., Carolyn Meacham and Quilla Talmadge.

Nobody seems to remember how many years it has been since the council took such drastic steps to censure a council member. It could be another "first" for this small and once elite suburban community.

The council also handed Mayor Cordeiro Cooper another setback when it voted not to confirm Danny Gibson as chief of staff. It wasn't Gibson's first political disappointments but can be rated as one of the most surprising and bitter in his long career of activism.

Gibson is gifted and talented as a political strategist. He is a former West Ward Newark Democratic county committee member, former member of the Newark Board of Education and first black Clerk to the Essex County Board of Freeholders as well as consultant to the confidant of elected officials from presidents to municipal legislators.

In rejecting the Mayor's request to confirm Gibson, council members handed Cooper a 3-4 defeat, citing the city code requiring that every official be a city resident as its rationale.

Councilwoman Mary Patterson noted "The applicant does not live in the city of East Orange and he's informed us that he has no intention of moving to East Orange."

This came as a surprise to many residents who said they had either never heard of the city ordinance or were not aware it was passed just as former Mayor John Hatcher's administration was leaving office.

A former councilman said the measure was passed to give the incoming Cooper administration an opportunity to relieve "at least two people" in Hatcher's administration of their duties. Both lived outside of East Orange then and now.

Once again the council was strangely divided on the issue. Voting for reelection: Patterson, Claude Craig, Ralph Harris, Stephen Thomas and Quilla Talmadge. Voting for: Yvonne Blake, Mark Scotland, Charles Robinson and Philip Thigpen. Carolyn Meacham abstained.

Like we predicted, the road ahead is rocky and thorny for Quilla Talmadge as council president. But, sooner or later, she will have to flex her leadership muscle and decide whether or not the council and the mayor will be at war for the next two years or whether they will decide cooper-

ative government is in the best interest of the people they are sworn to serve by putting aside personal feuds within the council body and with the mayor of the city.

Essex County Freeholder president Sara Bost should not be duped into thinking her election to head the board was responsible for the firing of Adrienne Davis as Freeholder Clerk.

It was inevitable that Davis (who replaced a black man, Danny Gibson, was as much of a political move as was the choice of Heather Clay to replace Davis.

Bost just happened to be at the right place at the right time to satisfy other political agendas but attention can be averted from the real deal by finding a scapegoat to blame.

Sara Bost who wanted to move up to the presidency was an unwitting and probably unknowing pawn in the power struggle. No matter what the reason she must now get on with the business of controlling the agenda in a professional manner and urge the

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Commentary...

I am unashamedly liberal

by Carolyn L. Bennett, Ph.D.

In times of great conflict and suffering at home and throughout the world, we turn inward—searching for hope, looking for something, some essence within ourselves on which to establish some sense of hope. Ideologies clash and ideologists battle for power and position. The weak rush to align themselves with popular ideology. Ideology becomes an end in itself. Society languishes for lack of hope because men and women have lost sight of the practical nature of ideas: the intermingling of ideas as the shared means by which we reach toward a higher good, build a better society—a society in which none are dominant and none are diminished.

Liberalism is the basis upon which I sustain my hope for a society in which none are dominant and none are diminished. I am unashamedly liberal. I am liberal because it is a manner of being that takes me out of myself and compels me to stretch toward a higher calling. It is a construct upon which I can build my hope.

Liberal means generous, open-minded, bent on freedom and liberation—liberation, first and foremost, from my own bigotry and bias and prejudice and parochialism. It is a construct that humbles me in my belief that there is a higher good ("I'm no atheist")—one that draws me toward it, but denies full possession. That there is a higher truth of which I have limited insight, but which grows as I grow in communion with people holding different perceptions of reality. The liberal construct that I subscribe to is one that puts ideology beyond itself and makes the holder of it an

instrument serving a better society—a society in which people share a common humanity that humbles them and makes them equal in the presence of a Higher Truth, a Higher Good.

I am a liberal in the mold of Martin Luther King. "I have dreamed that one day 'every valley shall be exalted and every hill and mountain shall be made low. The rough places will be made plain and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed' and all flesh shall see it together. This is our hope. This is [our] faith...[And] with this faith we will be able to hew out of a mountain of despair a stone of hope."

I am a liberal who does not bleed for the sins and suffering of the world. This is not my calling. But I am a liberal who believes that something can and should be done about the suffering of the world. I believe the liberal perspective offers the greatest promise of doing something constructive in the world.

Martin Luther King's oratory expresses the liberal spirit that I understand. Humanity charged with building a better world in which none are dominant and none are diminished.

I believe my purpose in life is helping to build a better society, but because I am convinced that I neither have a handle on The Truth nor know best how to build a better society, I need other people and their expressions. Because ideas are equally valuable, I can neither accept wholly nor reject entirely any idea simply because it is expressed by certain people. Ideas are not good or bad, right or wrong simply because they are put forth by a person of one or another race, gender, ideology, class, nationality or ethnic group. Acceptance of anything less

than this betrays my own bigotry and narrow-mindedness, attitudes which are antithetical to the notion of liberal.

All ideas serve insight one way or another, even when the process involves seeing and dissecting one point of view for the purpose of clarifying another developing point of view. A liberal must remain passionate yet open and teachable. Always in the process of growing and developing insight related to the larger goal. What is important in deliberations on the relative value of ideas or actions is: How do the ideas or actions serve the goal of building a better society?

One of the issues that begs but gets no answer to the question of societal benefit or the ends of action is the issue of diversity in American institutions and workplaces. This is a liberal kind of issue. But liberals are fighting for liberalism and fighting against conservatives instead of focusing on the higher good and a healthy society in which none are diminished.

An issue affecting the health of our society has become none more than an academic exercise in debate. What's important are scoring points, who's right and who's wrong, who are the winners and who are the losers. Black and white, games with opposites. Self-serving academics and journalists, left and right-wingers playing with power and puffing themselves up while the society suffers the ill effects of reactionary decision-making or general neglect. The diversity debates have not undertaken the hard questions related to present and future and a quality of life within society that demands fair treatment of all of its members. As with issues of war and peace or alternative forms of sentencing,

it is important to consider the ends of action and ideas. Instead of arguing merely against the status quo, liberals must ponder the present and future and ask: How do ideas, pro and con, serve our society? How is society or the world made better? Do certain ideas or actions serve the ends of peaceful co-existence and community in our society and the world? Liberals must supply the debate that is sorely lacking in the debating a better society. They must ponder the present and future society.

I am a liberal, in the mold of Martin Luther King, who places justice among the highest goods. I believe all of us are made better together by a shared humanity. To be liberal is to hold freedom as the highest of ideals; and to believe that my freedom, my liberation, is linked with the liberation and freedom of every other member of society. That we share a common destiny. And that together as equals we are charged, by reference to a Higher Good, with the responsibility of building a better society. I am a liberal because I believe that my hope is linked with yours. I am a liberal because I believe that your experience has value equal to my own. I am a liberal because I believe that none should be dominant and none diminished.

King's words and his use of Biblical text are the words of a liberal who dares to find our hope, the hope of all Americans, the hope of America, on a shared humanity. A shared humanity that is capable of reaching beyond the self, beyond personal prejudice. Capable of lifting its heart to a higher good and moving toward that good in the act of creating a better society. Dr. Carolyn L. Bennett is a writer and former educator who lives in Northern Virginia.

YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

North Jersey Spelman Alumnae award six scholarships



(From l-r) Scholarship recipients Karl Williams, Eudora Beltram, and Monica Burch are welcomed by Jeanette Brummett, president of the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College. Not pictured were Kalsha Evertz, Staci Halmon, and Teri McKelvey.

The Northern New Jersey Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College (NAASC) recently recognized its six 1981-92 scholarship winners with a reception and ceremony at the South Orange home of Chapter President, Jeanette F. Brummett.

"Our objective is to recognize the achievements of the fine young women from across the state who have been selected to receive our scholarships," Mrs. Brummett said.

The Northern New Jersey Chapter of NAASC gave out \$6,000 in scholarships this year from funds from its various fundraising activities, including the Spelman Jazz Ensemble Concert, which will be held on Saturday, March 14 at the Mary Burch Theater, Essex County College in Newark.

The six students receiving are: Eudora D. Beltram of Newark; Monica L. Burch of Vineland; Kalsha A. Evertz of Plainfield; Staci L. Halmon of Camden; Teri A. McKelvey of Williamstown; and Karl A. Williams of Florham Park.

Criteria for selection as a scholarship recipient includes being a resident of New Jersey, having plans to attend Spelman College, and maintaining good academic standing, which means having a grade point average of 3.0 or better. The scholarships are sent directly to Spelman to contribute towards the student's outstanding balance.

Jobs, Cash and Scholarships Inroads

recruiting February 11

INROADS, a national career development organization, with over 4,500 participating students and 2,500 alumni, will conduct a college recruitment forum at the Rutgers University Student Center-Multi-Purpose Room on Tuesday, February 11, 1992 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. The Rutgers Student Center is located on College Avenue in New Brunswick.

The forum will be hosted by both the INROADS Central and Northern New Jersey affiliates. Currently, through the operations of both offices, over 250 students are interning with such corporations as AT&T, Johnson & Johnson, Merrill Lynch, Union Carbide and Prudential. Sixty eight companies locally and over 700 nationally sponsor INROADS interns.

INROADS is looking for African-American, Latino and Native American Indian college students with a 3.0 or better grade point average (open to almost all majors), and who are interested in a corporate career. Through its mission to prepare minority students for corporate and community leadership, INROADS provides opportunities for well-paying summer internships with local Fortune 500 companies, Corporate Readiness training seminars and an inside track for full-time employment upon graduation. Additionally, INROADS interns receive mentoring, tutorial support, if necessary, and participate in community service projects.

INROADS will also accept applications from qualified high school seniors. For more information, call (908) 249-1144.

Yes, money for scholar-athletes

OAKHURST — Over 100,000 collegiate athletic scholarships are available each year to male and female high school and junior col-

lege student athletes.

Contrary to popular belief, students don't have to be all-state to qualify. Much of this money goes unused. A new publication with forms, sample letters, and tables of factual information is available for student athletes. It takes them step-by-step through the important process of getting an athletic scholarship and includes college and conference listings.

For information on how to get a collegiate athletic scholarship send a #10 self-addressed stamped envelope to the National Sports Foundation, 612A Willow Drive, PO Box, Oakhurst, NJ 07755.

Morristown - Beard offers middle school scholarship

Test Date: February 9

Morristown-Beard School is sponsoring a Middle School Scholarship for students entering the seventh or eighth grade in September. This is a competitive, full tuition scholarship for five or six years, open to a student from a family of moderate financial means who would not otherwise be able to attend MBS.

The recipient will be determined on the basis of an examination to take place Saturday, February 8, at 9 a.m. at Morristown-Beard School, located at Whippany Road and Hanover Avenue in Morristown.

Applicants must call the Admissions Office at 201-539-3032 to register and must complete an application form. There is no fee.

Morristown-Beard School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Gannett Outdoor poster contest

Deadline March 20

In the past 33 years, thousands of New Jersey high school students have had an opportunity to display their artistic skills and win cash prizes in the annual poster contest sponsored by Gannett Outdoor of New Jersey. Entries are now being accepted in the 34th edition of Gannett's high school poster competition, open to high school students from any public or private school in New Jersey.

"We have many talented high school artists throughout the State," said Louis Giordano, President of Gannett Outdoor of New Jersey, "and this annual competition provides them a showcase to use their imagination and demonstrate their talents." Last year there were more than 800 entries from 75 high school in the State.

The entry rules for the competition were recently outlined by William Herzog, Art Director Emeritus for Gannett, and include:

Design Subject: The entry must pertain to some public service theme such as illiteracy, ecology, anti-drugs, child abuse, etc.

Execution: The entry must be fully executed by the student. Choice of medium is optional, but must not smear or rub off. Use of type is permitted. Pre-printed images such as labels, photos, dimensional objects or design ideas which suggest infringement of published material will be disqualified.

Design Size: The entry must be

10" vertical by 22" horizontal, plus a 1" white border. Final size is 12" by 24".

Judging will be based on five criteria: idea, simplicity, boldness, contrast and color. A team of judges will review all entries and select 18 to receive awards. There will be three grand prize winners who will each receive \$200 cash and have their design reproduced as a full size billboard. It will be posted in or near the winner's community. There will also be 15 honorable mention award winners who will each receive \$50 cash.

Gannett Outdoor of New Jersey's three grand prize winners will be automatically entered in the national poster contest, which offers top cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250.

Students desiring to enter this competition are urged to contact the art department or office of their local high school. Direct entries may be submitted following these guidelines:

1. Label your entry with your name, home address, school name, school address, local art teacher and your grade, neatly printed, on the back of the entry.

2. Mail or deliver all entries, no later than March 20, 1992 to: POSTER CONTEST, Gannett Outdoor of New Jersey, 183 Route 46, Fairfield, New Jersey 07006.

3. Any questions about the competition should be directed to Susan Krosnick at Gannett Outdoor of New Jersey. All entries will be returned by mail following the awards ceremony, which will be held on April 2nd.

Starlab to highlight AAEC's science program

ENGLEWOOD — The winter semester of the African American Educational Center will feature the use of Starlab, a portable planetarium, on loan from the Liberty Science Center, a major new museum of contemporary science and technology.

Teachers from the African American Educational Center took part in a summer science program provided by the Liberty Science Center and Jersey City State College, preparing them to initiate courses in meteorology and astronomy for the kindergarten and 7th-8th grade classes at the Center this past Fall. They were also trained to use the Starlab, a huge tent-like structure which recreates the night sky, stars, and planets. This will be brought to the Center's program located at the Janis E. Dismus Middle School in Englewood so that the Kindergarten and 7th-8th grade students can deepen their knowledge gained from their hands-on experience in meteorology and astronomy and all the Center's students can be exposed to the wonders of the night sky.

The science program and the workshops in cultural arts and drama, stress the contributions of Africans and African Americans. These courses plus chess and computer are designed for students in grades pre-K through 8 and begin Saturday, February 8 continuing through March 28.

The 12 week SAT/PSAT classes for high school students begin Saturday February 1 and end April 25. Fully certified teachers conduct small groups in stimulating math and English review.

All classes take place at the Janis E. Dismus Middle School, Tryon Avenue, corner of Liberty Road, Englewood. Limited scholarships are available on the basis of need. For more information, call 201-837-8003.



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RELIGIOUS CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

NEWARK — The Presentation of the Lord will be the subject of The Sunday Mass televised at 7:30 a.m., on WWOR-TV.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

WASHINGTON — The World Apostolate of Fatima (The Blue Army, USA), will hold its monthly vigil for peace at the shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary at 9 p.m. The event will carry over to February 8. For more information call 888-682-1700.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

WEST LONG BRANCH — In observance of African American Heritage Month, Monmouth College will host a Gospel Concert featuring Sharon Marshall Bunin, Lydia Navarro, and Kiki Galdes. The show will take place at 8 p.m. at Poliak Auditorium. For more information call 908-222-8338 or 908-571-7916.

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

NEW BRUNSWICK — An evening of Gospel Music with Sister Sadie and the Famous Biblettes will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the Sharon Baptist Church at 25 Howard Street. For more information call 908-745-4488 or 908-745-3888.

NEWARK — The New Hope Baptist Church Scholarship Fund presents a gospel concert featuring Robert Johnson, the New Hope Youth Inspirational Choir at 7 p.m. at the New Hope Baptist Church, 108 Newark Avenue. Doors at 6 p.m. For more information call 201-822-4547.

Send your religious calendar events to City News, P.O. Box 1774, Plainfield, N.J. 07060

Rejoicing at Second Baptist

February 2
Dr. Samuel DeWitt Proctor, 7 p.m.

Wednesday February 5
Blacks In The Bible Teaching Seminar, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday & Friday February 6 & 7
Dr. Myles Murray, Bahamas Faith Ministries, Nassau, Bahamas, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday February 8
Newark Boys Choir Concert, 6 p.m.

Sunday February 9
Dr. Gerald Deas, 11 a.m.
Jersey City Mass Choir Concert, 6 p.m.

Wednesday February 12
Blacks in the Bible Teaching Seminar, 7:30 p.m.

Friday February 14
Marriage Enrichment Valentines Day Celebration, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday February 16
Family and Friends Day, 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Joy Bells Children's Choir Anniversary, 6 p.m.

Wednesday February 19
Water Baptism Service, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday February 20
Black Entrepreneur Seminar 7:30 p.m.

Friday February 21
Liberated Gospel Choir of Rutgers University, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday February 22
Schomburg Center for research of Black Culture

Sunday February 23
African American History Family Feud Contest, 6 p.m.

Wednesday February 26
Blacks in the Bible Teaching Seminar, 7:30 p.m.

Friday February 28
Prophecy a drama production at State Theater in New Brunswick, 7 p.m.

Saturday February 29
9 a.m. Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry Program

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Rutgers student returns to her Camden roots

CAMDEN — When Wana Richardson graduated in 1957 from the Northeast Elementary School in North Camden, she never dreamed she would one day return to help make the road to education less difficult for other students.

That is exactly what she—and eight others — are doing at the school, which after Ms. Richardson's graduation, was destroyed by fire, rebuilt, and renamed the Molina Elementary School.

As a required part of their curriculum in the graduate public policy program at Rutgers University's Camden campus, they travel to the school every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to assist teachers with an after-school program that encourages grade-school children to study and complete their homework.

According to Dr. Ian Jacobs, project coordinator and an assistant of public policy at the Camden campus, the college students benefit

from the program along with their elementary school counterparts.

"The critical thing is that the Rutgers-Camden students are all on our Peace Corps track," notes Jacobs, explaining that, upon completion of their classroom studies, they will be assigned to an overseas Peace Corps location to put their teaching skills into practical use.

The Peace Corps connection to the elementary school also supplies financial resources via a Ford Foundation grant that supports the Rutgers-Camden graduate public policy program. These funds were crucial to starting the homework program.

Jacobs notes that the Molina School is "80 percent Hispanic speaking," an appropriate situation, as many of the Rutgers-Camden students will be assigned to Latin American nations.

He stresses, "We'd like our students to continue working with



Wana Richardson

Camden's schools after they complete their Peace Corps service and receive their degree." According to Jacobs, Rutgers-Camden is in the

process of securing funds that would allow this dream to become a reality.

Ms. Richardson feels that her work at the Molina School answers a genuine need.

"Of the 850 kids at Molina, only about 150 of them actually complete their homework," she has found. "Many of those kids go home to a bad environment or they don't have the supplies to complete their schoolwork."

"We want to make sure that students do their homework regularly and develop successful study habits."

In that regard, Molina principal Frances Colton Gibson asserts that the Rutgers-Camden public policy students are on the right track.

"We simply don't have the staff to provide after-school help for all of our children," she admits. "Thanks to the Rutgers-Camden students, we can have smaller home-

work groups and give the kids the special help they deserve."

She points out, "We purposely designed this program to identify those kids who clearly hadn't been doing their homework. The parents love it. They're impressed that Rutgers University students are helping their kids, and the kids are delighted by the personalized attention that they receive."

Colton Gibson likens the relationship between her students and the Rutgers-Camden participants to a "Big Brother/Big Sister" arrangement. "The kids feel that they can sit and talk about the problems of living in this neighborhood," she says.

Of paramount importance however, is the fact that Molina students "no longer view homework as such a difficult chore," smiles Colton Gibson. "And they feel really good about themselves."

Hospita Awards

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Hospital, one of the grant recipients. "More of our citizens will be able to receive appropriate and timely primary care. And, often for the first time, they will have access to preventive health services."

"All four hospitals chosen for the project have high uncompensated care costs. These grants will allow them to channel patients who do not need emergency care to community health centers," he said.

The four recipients, who will each receive \$1.3 million for each

of the two years of funding, are: Jersey City Medical Center (with the Jersey City Family Health Center).

United Hospitals Medical Center, of Newark, (with proposed United Community Health Plan) Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, of Plainfield, (with Plainfield Health Center).

Cooper Hospital/University Medical Center, of Camden, (with CAMCare Health Corporation).

The two-year grants are from the \$12 million Competitive Initiatives Fund established by the Health Care Cost Reduction Act of 1991. This landmark legislation, signed by the Governor last July, established the fund to expand and support community-based primary care in order to provide people with a

real alternative to the hospital emergency room. Funds for the grant program, as well as those reforms mandated by the legislation, are collected through a 53 percent assessment on all hospital revenues.

"I am especially proud of this initiative. It gives basic respect to the neediest among us by giving them and their children the dignity of basic health care. It reduces the cost of health care the right way. Not by cutting back, but by planning and careful use of limited funds. It applies good common sense to a problem that affects us all," said Governor Florio.

"To control spiraling health care costs, our hospitals must be free to deliver the major emergency and treatment services they are equipped to provide. And our community-

oriented health care centers must be funded so that they can deliver the primary and preventive care that so many New Jerseyans need, but can not afford," he added.

Today's funding will cover costs associated with the development and maintenance of partnerships between four urban hospitals with high uncompensated care costs and community providers. Through these grants, hospitals will refer emergency room patients who require non-emergency primary care because they have no other acceptable choices.

In addition, these grants will, for the first time, open the New Jersey Health Care Trust Fund to non-hospital providers on a limited basis. These demonstration projects will be carefully evaluated to determine which components of these models merit replication throughout the state.

Last Thursday, Governor Florio announces the award of \$2.3 million from the Competitive Initiatives Fund to seven health care agen-

cies which will devote the funds to increasing access to primary care by expanding hours, increasing programs and, in some cases, providing transportation services. Presently, 843,000 New Jerseyans have no health care—the majority of whom are full-time workers and their dependents.

ECC professor to curate NJ art exhibit

NEWARK — Janet Taylor Pickett, Associate Professor of Art at Essex County College will serve as the exhibit curator for the "New Jersey Project — A Celebration of Women Artists" at New Jersey Colleges. The exhibit will be on display in the Robeson Center Gallery at Rutgers University from January 21 through March 20, 1992.

Council grapples with budget, review boards

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last budget public hearing, the council voted to try once more to get the budget down to proportions that the citizens and city government could live with. The council voted 6-0 (councilwoman Helen Miller was not present) to approve amendments that would cut \$55,000 from the corporation council's budget and decreasing the interest on bonds by \$148,000.

A public hearing on these amendments will be held Feb. 3, during the council's regular meeting at the municipal court chambers, and the budget could possibly be adopted that night as well.

Another public oriented issue

that will be brought to the council's attention, is the desire for a citizen's review board at the city of Plainfield. Community activist Venus Hannah along with her family advisor, Saalam Ismail will again bring the issue before the governing body to try to incite them to take action.

During the Jan. 21 council meeting, Hannah and other city residents informed the council that they were not phased with the action of the city's police division toward the c community that pays their salaries. The residents expressed that a public forum is necessary to hold city officials

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Issue	Topic	Space	Ad Copy
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CITY LIFE

African American History Month Calendar

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 16

NEW BRUNSWICK — Crossroads Theatre Company in "Oak and Ivy" a drama depicting the relationship between poets Paul Lawrence Dunbar and Alice Dunbar-Nelson. For information call 908-248-5560.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 29

NEWARK — AJLA, A Center for Contemporary Art "African-American Thinking: History, Politics, Art" at the Newark Public Library through February 29. For information call 201-733-7793.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2 - FEBRUARY 28

UPPER MONTCLAIR — Montclair State College will begin its celebration of African American History Month with an exhibition of portraits by Myrtle Pearson through the 28. The exhibit, titled "Visions of Strength: Portraits of the African American Father," will feature 16 paintings of contemporary African American fathers and their children. The exhibit will be in Gallery One on the Montclair State campus. hours are weekdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and weekends 1 to 5 p.m. for information call 201-893-5113.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 3

NEWARK — The African American History Month Opening Ceremony at Essex County College at 1 p.m., 303 University Avenue. For information call 201-877-3067.

NEWARK — The Treasures of Africa opening ceremony with the theme "Black Education for Black Youth." Libation for our ancestors, African music and refreshments at noon. Door prize for the first 25 guests Call 201-242-6021.

WAYNE — Babatunde Olatunji with his troupe of singers and dancers will appear at 1 p.m. at William Paterson College. For information call 201-595-3101.



Sister Sadie and the Famous Bibettes

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6

WAYNE — The Caribbean Students Association will sponsor a dance at 9 p.m. and be held in the Student Center Ballroom. For information call 201-595-3101.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9

ATLANTIC CITY — Newark Boy's Chorus at Deliverance Temple at 3 p.m. Call 609-345-4063.

CAMDEN — Women's Sekere Ensemble at the Camden County Historical Society at 2 p.m. Call 609-964-3333.

CAMDEN — Jassu Ballet: Traditional African Dance and the Black History Monthly Awards Ceremony with a presentation of Recognition to Melvin R. Primas, Jr. NJ State commissioner of community Affairs and Aaron Thompson, Mayor City of Camden for their outstanding contributions to the arts at the Walt Whitman Center. Call 609-964-8300.

MONTCLAIR — Sister Sadie & the Bibettes present a gospel music concert at the Montclair Art Museum at 3 p.m. Call 201-749-5555.

DENVILLE — Ladysmith Black Mambazo from Natal South Africa at Morris Knolls High School at 3 p.m. Call 201-538-6413.

NEW BRUNSWICK — Benny Carter, saxophonist with Big Band and Rutgers String Orchestra at the State Theatre at 3 p.m. Call 908-932-7511.

NEWARK — A film at the Newark Museum "The Dancing Man: Peg Leg Bates" with a special guest, Peg Leg Bates himself, at 7 p.m. at the Newark Museum in the Billy Johnson Auditorium. For information call 201-595-6550.

NEWARK — Those Golden Years: A Progress of Poetry, Song, and Dance at 2 p.m. at the Newark Community School of the Arts. For information call 201-642-0133.

ORANGE — The Orange Office of the Mayor and the Cultural Affairs Division of the Orange Recreation Department will present "Shades of Black," an art extravaganza on at the Peppermint Ballroom, 173 Central Avenue from 2 to 5 p.m. The affair is a tribute to African American History Month and will feature Dr. Beverly Scott as the keynote speaker. For information call City Hall at 201-266-4005.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 10

WAYNE — Drama and comedy will take the stage during Black Movie Nights at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom of William Paterson College. For information call 201-595-3101.



THEATREWORKSUSA

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4

PATERSON — TheatreworksUSA African Folktales at Passaic County Community College at 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. and 12 noon. Call 201-664-6555.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 5

TRENTON — Proclamation signing by governor Jim Florio and cultural enrichment program with Anderson String quartet, Trenton High School Gospel Chole and Afro-One Dance, Drama and Drum theatre from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

WAYNE — Charles Webster, director of admissions at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Rutherford campus will present a lecture, "Stand for Something or Fall for Anything," at 12:30 p.m. at William Paterson College. For information call 201-595-3101.

NEWARK — Poets Darryl Holmes and Layding Kaliba will offer a Poetry Jam entitled "Keeping the Black Experience Alive Through Poetry," as part of the Frances E. W. Harper Literary Society series in Centennial Hall at the Newark Public Library. For information call 201-596-6550.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

TRENTON — "Fences" by August Wilson will be performed at the Mill Hill Playhouse at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and Sunday at 3 p.m. For information call 609-396-4492.

WAYNE — Caribbean Food Fest will be held in Billy Pat's Pub at 4 p.m. The Black Students' Association will hold a scholarship party beginning at 9 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom at William Paterson College. For information call 201-595-3101.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7

NEW BRUNSWICK — Benny Carter, saxophonist with Big Band and Rutgers String Orchestra at the State Theatre at 3 p.m. Call 908-932-7511.

GLASSBORO — Ramsey Lewis, jazz pianist extraordinary at Glassboro state College in Wilson concert Hall. Call 609-863-7388.

WAYNE — National news correspondent, Charlayne Hunter-Gault will speak as part of William Paterson College's Distinguished Lecturer Series on 8 p.m. in the Student Center for the Performing Arts. For information call 201-595-3101.

WEST LONG BRANCH — Monmouth College will host a concert by the Keith Marks Jazz Quartet at 8 p.m. in the Wilson Auditorium. For information call 908-222-3538.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8

NEWARK — Dwayne Ferguson, artist, cartoonist and creator of Captain Africa at Treasures of Africa from 4 to 6 p.m. Book signing and illustration demonstration. Call 201-242-6021.

NEWARK — Puppet Performers: "Harem River Drive" at 2 p.m. in the Billy Johnson Auditorium at the Newark Museum. For information call 201-596-6550.

NEWARK — Newark Boy's Chorus at Second Baptist church. Call 908-826-5293.

TRENTON — Kaleidoscope Kids Explore Africa. Family workshop on African and African-American culture at the NJ State Museum. Call 609-292-6310.

CAMDEN — African Folktales and Stories at the Walt Whitman Cultural Arts Center. Call 609-964-8300.

GLASSBORO — Glassboro State College Jazz Festival Finale in Wilson Concert Hall. Call 609-863-7388.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 10

WEST LONG BRANCH — Lloyd Washington of Maplewood, program chairperson of the New Jersey Chapter of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc., will speak on tracing one's roots on at 7 p.m. The discussion will take place in the Anacah Hall-A of the Monmouth College Center. For information call 908-222-3538.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 11

JERSEY CITY — Hudson Repertory Dance Theater/Art and Sculpture by black artists and a Buffet at Grace Church all starting at 8 p.m. Call 201-432-5534.

JERSEY CITY — An "Invitation to Dance" lecture, demonstration, performance program at 9:30 a.m. at the Jersey City Museum. Call 201-547-4380.

GLASSBORO — Freedom Train, a dramatic story of Harriet Tubman at Glassboro State College in Wilson Concert Hall. Call 609-863-7388.

PARAMUS — "Three Afro-American Artists" prints and graphics by Bearden, Lawrence and Brown at the Bergen Museum of Art and Science through February 16. Call 201-265-1248.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 12

WAYNE — Dr. La Francis Rodgers-Rose, president of the International Black Woman's Congress, will address the topic, "Black Love Is...," on in the Student Center at 8 p.m. For information call 201-595-3101.



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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 13

JERSEY CITY — An "Invitation to Dance" lecture, demonstration, performance program at 9:30 a.m. at the Jersey City Museum. Call 201-547-4380.

NEWARK — A film: "Sogunor Truth: Auntie's Women" at 1 p.m. in the Billy Johnson Auditorium at the Newark Museum. For information call 201-596-6550.

NEW YORK — "He had no right" a play presented at the American Theatre of Actors by the African Women's Repertory at 8 p.m. on Saturdays and 4 p.m. on Sundays. Call 212-993-0070.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14

NEWARK — The memberships of Israel Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church and Mt. Moriah African Methodist Episcopal Church are joining to present "One River," a play tracing the life of Harriet Tubman. The performances include a matinee at 11 a.m., a reception and performance that evening at 7 p.m., a third performance on February 15 at 7 p.m. and the final show on February 16 at 8 p.m. For information call 201-642-6048.

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Business Exchange...

The Talented Tenth

by William Reed

WASHINGTON, DC (NNPA) — If you can't run with the Big Dogs, then surely it is best that you stay back on the porch. The successes of the past 30 years for the black talented tenth has made them the big dogs on the blocks of Black America, that is, at least for those who stayed in their traditional neighborhoods. The little dogs around the block have, said to us, remained small in stature and their porches are giving away to urban blight and deterioration.

In spite of the fact that 30 percent of America's welfare recipients are black, many others of us have realized economic and professional success in the country today. Of course, many skeptics among us will say that success has always been relative in Black America. And it is true that often success for us has been more of a measurement of what has been overcome than what has been achieved. For many blacks

in the inner cities, who comprise the lower income realms of the country's economic structure, success is receiving \$500 on Mother's Day of each month. But for the Talented Tenth, that upper segment that best represents the educated and leadership class of Black America, success in the past 30 decades has been real and remarkable.

In 1967 less than 5 percent of black families in America could be counted in the middle class, an economic status of having an annual household income of \$15,000 in 1987 dollars. Twenty years later, that 5 percent figure had grown to 36 percent having middle class annual incomes of \$25,000 or more. In a remarkable realization of the promise of America, 30 of every 100 blacks in the country grew to be real big dogs in the 70s and 80s.

The post civil rights era was a period marked by the kind of economic, social and political opportunities that for the first time in American history gave blacks a certain advantage. During this period, the

Big Dogs we've now come to know grew because of affirmative action and contracting opportunities. During the years between 1970 and 1989, the percentage of blacks who fit firmly in the upper middle class household annual income bracket of \$50,000 or more grew by 182 percent.

In 1970 only 6.9 percent of the black American population, roughly a half million households had incomes of \$50,000 a year. By 1989, the figure had grown to 11.5 percent or 1.2 million households. The black increase nearly doubled that of white high income earners during the period.

The statistical gap reflects very real increases in earnings, professional occupations, status and influence to make many of us very big dogs in the American economic structure.

The down side of the story is that according to a Census Bureau study on a measure of wealth, the median net worth of black households (total liabilities from total assets) in the top 20 percent of na-

wealth and that of blacks is still more than two-and-a-half to one.

It has been proven that despite the historical disadvantage of race discrimination in America, black wealth accumulation can happen. Even with the recent Civil Rights Act, institutional racism will continue to be an obstacle to African-Americans gaining broad wealth. During the coming period the Talented Tenth will be needed to come back to their original blocks to offer the skills, physical and monetary resources, and vision to the little dogs that will help them get off the porch and gain similar entry into the American mainstream kennel.

ROJ hosts conference for small, minority, women business owners

NEW BRUNSWICK — On February 27th and 28th, ROJ Marketing Concepts will be presenting their First Annual Small Minority and Women Owned Business Conference to be held at the Hyattsville Hotel in New Brunswick. A two-day conference, the first day will start with registration at 8 a.m.

From 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., there will be exhibits in a marketplace featuring Fortune 500 companies such as AT&T, NJ Transit, Bellcore, J&J, retail merchants and service related entrepreneurs to name a few.

At the luncheon buffet, US Senator Frank Lautenberg is the invited Keynote Speaker. Other invited speakers include Senator John Lynch, New Brunswick Mayor Jim Cahill, Shikara Abdul Ali of NJ Transit and more. The luncheon buffet is from noon - 2 p.m.

From 3 p.m. - 4:15 p.m., there will be a panel discussion on "Minority Perspectives on Minority Business in Their Glues," Plainfield Mayor Harold W. Mitchell, Highland Park Mayor Jim Potos, Mayor Michael G. Steele of Irvington, Mayor Douglas H. Palmer of Trenton, and others have been invited to speak along with others.

From 4:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m., there will be an "Open Forum Discussion with State and Federal Officials." Invited speakers are from NJ SMWBE, USSBA, Port Authority and other state and federal agencies. The dinner reception from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. introduces Assemblyman Gerald Green as the Keynote Speaker. Other invited speakers are Reggie Johnson of NAACP Edition/Metuchen chapter, other local NAACP chapter presidents, Henry Smith of Minority Business Development Center, Leslie Borges-Carter of MCBA, and others.

The second day consists of a series of morning and afternoon workshop sessions. Registration from 8 - 11 a.m. Each session fea-

tures 6 workshops, 2 every hour. From 9 a.m. - 10 a.m., "Advertising and Marketing Your Business," "Keeping Your Records Straight by ADP," From 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. the topic will be "Financial Planning (Present and Future)," "How to be Certified with State and Federal Agencies," from 11 a.m. noon "All You Need To Know About Bonding," "Family and Business," "How to Stay Successful," will be discussed. A repeat of each workshop begins again for the afternoon session from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. From 12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. an invited successful minority entrepreneur will be guest speaker at the luncheon buffet.

For more information concerning the conference, please contact ROJ Marketing Concepts, 213 So. Sixth Ave., Highland Park, NJ, 908-572-8765, for registration, booths and advertising in the souvenir booklet.

Society meets

The New Jersey Chapter, Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, will hold its regular monthly meeting Saturday, February 8, at 12 noon at the Afro-American Historical Society Museum, 1841 Kennedy Boulevard in Jersey City. The program will include a play in observance of Black History Month directed by member Janice Jenkins, a celebration of the publication of the first issue of the Chapter's Journal, Jersey Heritage, edited by Lisa C. Crawley, and a mini-session orientation for Chapter volunteers.

Persons planning to attend are asked to bring a bag lunch. Beverage will be provided. Prospective members are welcome. Call the Museum (201) 547-5262 for further details.

'State of Black America'

(continued from page 1) disturbed by proposed tax cuts that would drain any resources that should be used to create jobs," the executive explained in an apparent response to previous calls for a "Baby Dividend" from cuts in the defense budget as a result of the end of the Middle East wars and the dissolution of the Soviet Union.

"I'm disturbed by the way to beg the Japanese to start affirmative action programs for US exports.

This recession won't be fixed by smoke and mirrors or by political grandstanding. It won't be fixed by giving away tax dollars to the people who are working and neglecting those who aren't able to find work," Jacob added in another obvious reference to the "middle class" campaign strategy of Republicans and Democrats.

Copies of the State of Black America Report and "Playing to Win: A Marshall Plan for America" are being sent to President Bush and all serious candidates for President. "It is our contribution to what we

believe would be a great national debate (in the 1992 presidential campaign) about what kind of economy we will have and the kind of society we will become." The NUL Marshall Plan is not a black plan or a special interest plan, but an America Plan, he said at one point, "No more Willie Horton, no more race-based campaigns like Louisiana's."

No more demographic appeals that misdirect anger and frustration onto the poor." The NUL was prepared with the assistance and contributions from colleagues at all levels of the organizations," said key league officials. They included: Robert C. Larson, NUL chair who is vice-chairman of the Talmann Co. and Dr. Bernard C. Watson, NUL vice-chairman, who is president of the William Penn Foundation. The NUL board includes executives from major corporations, including American Express; Time Inc.; Merrill Lynch & Co.; Union Pacific and J.C. Penny, to name a few, as well as the American Federation of

Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations representatives.

The "State of Black America" report was documented by research papers prepared by 16 experts in all major disciplines. They included Dr. Watson, Dr. Billy J. Tidwell, NUL director of research; Dr. David Swinton, Jackson State U.; Dr. William Darity, Jr., U. of North Carolina; Dr. Samuel L. Myers Jr., U. of Maryland; Dr. Walter Massey, senior director, National Science Foundation; Dr. Shirley McBay, Quality Education; Dr. Sylvester Murray, Cleveland State U.; Dr. Robert D. Ballard, U. of California; Dr. Robert Hill, Morgan State U.; Dr. Leonard J. Henderson, U. of Baltimore; Sandra T. Gray, Vice-president, Leadership and Management; Dr. Henry Coleman, Executive Director, US Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; Dr. Dianne Funderhughes, University of Illinois and Dr. Julianne Malveaux, economist and syndicated columnist.

ing to the facts that Phillip's hands were in the air when Spuh shot him."

Several Teaneck Police Officers have attended the trial in uniform, a tactic which the Pannell family and its supporters see as an intimidating tactic towards the jury.

Charles Webster, a member of the African Council and the Rev. Al Sharpton, both of whom led several

protest rallies after the shooting attended the trial during the past week.

Heighy believes this case is relatively to John's sexual abuse case in the sense that "the decision will not hinge on the evidence or skill of the prosecutor but whether or not the white jury can bring itself to convict a white officer for killing a 16-year-old African-American youth."

State rests in Pannell case

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Baden presented a visual presentation using State Investigator George Wright as a model. Baden also showed enlarged photographs of the autopsy displaying the bullet wounds.

Thelma Pannell, the victim's mother cried as the photos were displayed.

Baden reportedly stated, "Because the shoulder blade and its surrounding mass of muscles were not damaged by the path of the bullet, it was my opinion that the bullet struck Mr. Pannell on the area of the midback that would have been covered by the shoulder blade if the arm were down."

In conclusion Baden said, "a reasonable degree of medical certainty," Pannell's left arm "had to be above 90 degrees" when he was fatally shot."

Rev. Herbert Daughtry, a family advisor said Baden gave a "rather impressive testimony," stating how Baden explained in detail the structure of the rib cage and the damage caused from Pannell's hand being raised.

William Alston David-el, chairman of the African Council in Teaneck and a family supporter said, "The prosecutor is showing, accord-

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BUSINESS CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

CAMDEN - The CEO Exchange will host its next meeting from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Harbour Lounge Club. The CEO Exchange gives fellow CEOs a chance to trade ideas and concerns without worrying about having to sell something or being interrupted. For more information call Maxine Balaban at 609-665-8877.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

ENGLEWOOD - "Help Your Business Excel with Microsoft Excel for Windows" will be the seminar session at COTC Inc. 106 West Palisades Avenue, the Union League Building, from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m. For more information call 201-447-7481.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

NEWARK - Essex County College and the Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce will offer "Fundamentals of U.S. Customs Law." Special attention will be given to the appropriate use of documents, etc. Course runs Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. through March 18. For further information call Essex County College's On-Campus Continuing Education at 201-877-3436 or Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce at 201-242-6237.

WHIPPANY - The Morris County Urban League will sponsor its Employment and Economic Development Luncheon. The topic will be the Role of the Human Resource Professional in the Managing Diversity Process. Guest speaker will be Christine Taylor, director of recruiting and employee development at Ortho Pharmaceuticals. The luncheon will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call 201-593-8123.

MADISON - How to Make Your Banker Love Your Company is the forum subject at the George Rothman Institute at Fairleigh Dickinson University from noon to 5 p.m. For more information call 201-593-8842.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

PARAMUS - "Computing Your Small Business" will be the seminar addressed at Bergen Community College from 7 to 10 p.m. in Room 8117. For more information call 201-447-7481.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

BRIDGEPORT - South Jersey's Second Annual Venture Idea Fair will be open from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Executive Conference Center, Purcell Industrial Complex. For more information 609-885-8877.

BRIDGEPORT - First Line Supervisory Skills: Manufacturing will be presented as part of the Gloucester County Management Breakfast Series from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Purcell Industrial Complex.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

NEWARK - Essex County College and the Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce will offer an "Introduction to the Free Trade." This course will also cover principal aspects of financial operations, transportation, shipping and collection documents as well as government regulations. Courses run Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon, through April 4. For further information call Essex County College's On-Campus Continuing Education 201-877-3436 or Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce 201-242-6237.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

CAMDEN - Total Quality Management techniques will be discussed by Joseph Burns, president of Joseph Burns Associates. For more information call 609-227-7200, ext. 275.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

PARAMUS - Introduction to Robotics - A Hands on Approach" will be the seminar chapter in the Business Training and Resource Institute from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Room 8308 of Bergen Community College. For more information call 201-447-7481.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

MALVERN, PA - Clean Room Basics is the topic of an all day workshop to be presented at the Fairhouse, 12 Great Valley Parkway. Discussion will include clean room construction, conduct, sanitation, and humans as a contamination source, among others. The workshop will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information call 609-665-8877.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

CAMDEN - Financing Options for Small Businesses will be discussed from 7:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. at the Harbour Lounge Club, those attending will learn some inside angles on financing businesses in the 1990s. For more information call 609-665-8877.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

NEWARK - Essex County College and the Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce will offer "Establishing an Import/Export Business" course. The focus of this course is on how to get started, how to source products, etc. Course runs Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. through April 22. For further information call Essex County College's On-Campus Continuing Education 201-877-3436 or Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce 201-242-6237.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Sealed bids will be received by the Housing Authority for the City of New Brunswick in their office at 71 Nelson Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey, on Tuesday, February 5, 1992, at 11:00 a.m., prevailing time at which time bids will be opened and read for.

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A deposit in cash or check, to the order of the New Brunswick Housing Authority in the amount of \$50.00 will be required for each set of bidding documents. The sum of \$25.00 will be refunded to any contractor returning to the Authority a completed and unmarked set of documents within the time specified. Additional sets may be purchased directly from the Authority for the sum of \$50.00 each, but such sets are not refundable.

All bids are to be accompanied by a bid guarantee of not less than ten per cent (10%) of the amount of the bid, but not in excess of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), to insure the execution of the contract and the furnishing of a performance and payment bond or bonds as required by the Bidding Documents.

All bids are to be accompanied with the name of the Surety Company. This company shall be listed in the U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570, published annually in the Federal Register. Failure to provide this information will cause rejection of the bid.

The Local Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding and further reserves the right to make such award as may be in the best interest of the Authority.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held Tuesday, January 28, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. at the Van Dyke Avenue Office. All bidders are urged to attend but non-attendance will not cause rejection of the bid.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, 127.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids.

No bid will be accepted that does not conform to the Specifications. Bids are to be made on the proposal forms and sealed in an envelope marked BID for the New Brunswick Housing Authority.

All bids are to be hand delivered at the time and place indicated above.

DAVID L. WILLIAMS, JR.
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January 22, 1992

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SALEM

The Housing Authority of the City of Salem, 205 Seventh Street, Salem, New Jersey 08079, is receiving bids for the renovation and upgrade of various living units in preparation for locating new tenants in the units.

The Housing Authority of the City of Salem, New Jersey, The Awarding Authority (hereinafter referred to as "Owner") will receive sealed bids for this work located at 205 Seventh Street, Salem, New Jersey 08079 in accordance with Contract Documents prepared together with the schedule of awards as may be issued prior to the date of receipt of bids.

Generally, the work shall include: the survey, upgrade and/or repair of certain designated vacant living units in preparation for locating new tenants in the units. The contractor shall be required to survey the indicated living units and perform all necessary work to bring the living units in close to new condition as possible. This may include the correction of dangerous conditions and the correction of code violations. The living units may be located in a high vandalism area and it shall be the contractor's responsibility to provide protection of the unit until it is turned over to and accepted by the Owner.

Bids will be received by the Owner on February 7, 1992 at 10:00 a.m., prevailing time at the office of Ruth O. Gross, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Salem, located at 205 Seventh Street, Salem, New Jersey 08079.

Sealed proposals for a single, over-all contract for General Construction, including all trades, will be received for all labor and materials to complete the project.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid or bids, to reject any and all bids, and to accept such bid or bids and to make such awards as may be in the best interest of the Owner.

Bid proposals must be submitted as directed by the Specifications, in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Owner. Envelopes shall, on the exterior, be designated as to the Contract for which the proposal is intended, the name and address of the Bidder.

Neither a bid nor performance bond shall be required for this project; however, the bidder must illustrate through references from previous work that he is capable of performing the work properly and within the time limitations specified.

Contract documents describing the Work will be on file and may be examined at the office of the Owner on or after February 7, 1992. Complete Construction Documents may also be obtained at the office of the Owner. Documents can be mailed at the Bidders request a charge of five dollars (\$5.00).

The site will generally be available for inspection from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, with the Owner, telephone: (509) 635-5022. It is a condition of the bidding that all persons of firms bidding any work on this project, either as a contractor or a subcontractor, MUST examine the site and so certify. When calling please ask for Anthony Gross, Maintenance Supervisor.

The Bidder must submit with his bid a notarized affidavit listing all persons owning ten percent (10%) or more of the stock in the corporation submitting the Bid, complete with address.

This project is being executed with funds provided by the U.S. Government through the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

RUTH O. GROSS
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SALEM
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INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Housing Authority of the City of East Orange (hereinafter referred to as the "City") will receive sealed bids until 11:00 o'clock A.M. on February 5, 1992, at its Central Office, 160 Haled Street, East Orange, New Jersey, 07016, for furnishing, delivery of all the supplies, materials and/or services generally described herein, as follows:

Upgrade certain public housing units at 87 Sussex Avenue, East Orange, N.J. (Arden Gardens) for rental suitability. Clean and prepare all walls, ceilings, including but not limited to painting, sanding, caulking and general repair, i.e., lighting.

All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the aforementioned date and time and place.

All bids shall be presented on the form prescribed by the PHA, be enclosed in sealed and appropriately marked envelope and be subject to the GENERAL CONDITIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, SPECIFICATIONS, including drawings and work writeups, if any.

Bid documents may be obtained at the PHA's Central Office by telephoning (201) 678-0288, between the hours of 9:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. daily.

The PHA retains the right to reject any and all bids.

EDWARD ZIMBICKI
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
January 29, 1992

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

The Housing Authority of the City of New Brunswick is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide security services at Hoffman Pavilion, NJ22-4, consisting of one (1) nine story high rise building which contains sixty (60) dwelling units for the elderly.

A detailed description of the work and specifications can be obtained at the Housing Authority of the City of New Brunswick at 71 Nelson Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Attention is called to the fact that no less than the minimum salaries and wages set forth in the specifications must be paid.

An original and two (2) copies of the proposal shall be submitted to the Housing Authority of the City of New Brunswick no later than 11:00 A.M., the prevailing time on February 7, 1992 at 71 Nelson Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey, 08903.

If proposal is accepted, please address same to James M. Zullo, Acting Executive Director, P.O. Box 110, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903. Telephone No. (908) 745-5147.

JAMES M. ZULLO
ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
January 29, 1992

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Housing Authority of Plainfield is soliciting proposals for Architectural and Engineering Services for the 1992 Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program for West End Gardens, Plainfield, New Jersey.

Interested Architectural and Engineering firms should obtain a copy of the specifications which provide detailed project information and requirements at the Housing Authority's Administrative office located at 510 East Front Street, Plainfield, New Jersey, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. A voluntary site inspection will be scheduled on February 14, 1992, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The deadline for receipt of proposals is Friday, February 28, 1992 at 2:00 p.m.

The Housing Authority of Plainfield reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality in the proposals. No proposals shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the date of receipt of proposals without the consent of the Housing Authority of Plainfield.

RICHARD D. FOX
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
2-5-1992 HOUSING AUTHORITY OF PLAINFIELD

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY

Sealed bids for the following proposals will be received at The Office of The Manager, Purchase and Supply Services Division, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, One World Trade Center, Room 82 South, New York, NY 10048 until 11:00 A.M. on the dates indicated below at which time and place said proposals will be opened and read.

Bid documents are mailed upon request by telephoning (212) 435-3524 between the hours of 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

PROPOSAL # 8784991 TITLE: OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY NATIONAL AIRPORT 8008 DUE: MON, MARCH 2, 1992

PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY ATTORNEY

The Housing Authority of the City of Salem is seeking proposals from attorneys at law to serve as legal counsel to the Authority. Proposals should be written to address the following qualification/factors which shall be used by the Authority to evaluate proposals:

1. Experience as Housing Authority Counsel.
2. Knowledge of and experience with Federal HUD Public Housing Regulations and Procedures.
3. Experience with Federal and State Public Agencies Law, in particular Local Public Contracts Law.

The contract period will be for one year.

Information packages will be available to all interested parties at the Housing Authority Office. Proposals must be submitted to the address below and must be received no later than Friday, February 7, 1992 at 12:00 p.m.

Ruth O. Gross, Executive Director
Housing Authority of the City of Salem
205 Seventh Street
Salem, NJ 08079
(609) 935-5022

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Sealed bids will be received by the Housing Authority for the City of New Brunswick, New Jersey, on Monday, February 10, 1992, at 11:00 a.m., prevailing time at which time bids will be opened and read for.

CONTRACT 1: THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS, CURBS, AND MISCELLANEOUS CONCRETE IN SCHWARTZ HOMES, N.J., 22-2.

There is one set of bidding documents covering the contract which may be examined at the Housing Authority's office from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday on regular business days. A copy of the documents may be obtained for bidding purposes after January 24, 1992, at the offices of the New Brunswick Housing Authority, 18 Van Dyke Avenue, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

A deposit in cash or check, to the order of the New Brunswick Housing Authority in the amount of \$50.00 will be required for each set of bidding documents. The sum of \$25.00 will be refunded to any contractor returning to the Authority a completed and unmarked set of documents within two weeks after the bids are opened. Additional sets of documents may be purchased from the Authority for the sum of \$50.00 each, but such sets are not refundable.

All bids are to be accompanied by a bid guarantee of not less than ten per cent (10%) of the amount of the bid, but not in excess of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), to insure the execution of the contract and the furnishing of a performance and payment bond or bonds as required by the Bidding Documents.

All bids are to be accompanied with the name of the Surety Company. This company shall be listed in the U.S. Treasury Circular No. 570, published annually in the Federal Register. Failure to provide this information will cause rejection of the bid.

The Local Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding and further reserves the right to make such awards as may be in the best interest of the Authority.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held Wednesday, February 5, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. at the Van Dyke Office. All bidders are urged to attend but non-attendance will not cause rejection of the bid.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, 127.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids.

No bid will be accepted that does not conform to the Specifications. Bids are to be made on the proposal forms and sealed in an envelope marked BID for the New Brunswick Housing Authority.

All bids are to be hand delivered at the time and place indicated above.

DAVID L. WILLIAMS, JR.
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
January 29, 1992

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In order to be considered, responses must be received no later than February 4, 1992.

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Magic Hysteria

by Fern Taylor

I can't wait to see Magic in the NBA All-Star game.

Why? I'm tired of all the news stories, TV channels and radio talk shows telecasting Magic Johnson's desire to play a little basketball. It's really starting to get on my nerves. Especially when the news telecasts keep showing vivid scenes of Isaiah Thomas dizzied and bloodied by a special delivery elbow from Karl "The Mailman" Malone — sending a subtle, yet strong message that, yes, basketball is bloody, blood can be mixed in a collision and AIDS could be transmitted in this way.

How many times do you see

that kind of incident, one which required 44 stitches to close? It was hysteria-producing sensationalist journalism at its best.

Then, to top it all off, some members of the Australian national team hinted that if Australia were to play a U.S. squad with Magic on it (that's a big IF, as in IF they make the cut), some of the players would boycott that game. More AIDS-related hysteria.

So I've decided to write my own news story. It goes something like this:

Magic has made the decision that he would like to play in the NBA All-Star game and the 1992 Olympics — HIV-virus and all. His doctors, the world medical estab-

lishment, the NBA and the U.S. Olympic Committee are all behind him.

Magic should, and will be, hooping' once again. Case closed.

That won't end the debate, however. I hope not. Let the volume of debate, the intensity of the discussions and more importantly, the level of AWARENESS continue to increase unabated. Education is one of the major weapons used to fight this disease, is that correct?

You've heard all the arguments — most of them don't hold up when carefully scrutinized:

"If there is even a MINUTE chance that Magic can infect someone, then he shouldn't be allowed to play."

I guess this argument has some (very little, medically) validity. If Magic were to infect one person with the HIV-virus, it would be one person too many. But there's a "minute" chance for a lot of things — like falling down the steps, getting hit by lightning, getting paralyzed in a car crash. Yet we deal with those chances every day. Magic's chance of infecting someone with a cut is just that slim. Ask the doctors.

What chance he has to prove? He's already achieved enough fame and won enough championships."

This argument is groundless, ludicrous and...I'm on a roll. I'd

better stop here. Basketball is Mr. Johnson's profession folks. Magic does not have to prove a thing — just check out the glare from his four L.A. Laker championship rings.

What a good showing by Magic will do is encourage millions of HIV-infected patients world-wide that the disease can be treated, its devastating effects curtailed enough so that a normal life can be led for increasingly longer and longer periods of time. Next argument.

"I love Magic, but what if he does infect someone? Will the Olympic Committee and the NBA be held liable?"

If Magic did infect someone, it would be a tragedy. But again, the chances are better that you'd get struck by lightning. I guess the Olympic Committee and NBA like these chances and readily accept any liability that would result from such an occurrence. Any more arguments?

I have one, but it has nothing to do with basketball. I'd like for Magic to further modify his "safe-sex" message to include abstinence — seven-, eight- and nine-year-olds, in my opinion, don't need to be hearing about safe sex. Abstinence and education are the only 100% proven tools to fight the spread of this disease.

In any event, emotions will be riding high when the Magic, the

semi-retired legend, is introduced as a starter for the West, when he makes that first no look pass, when he swishes that first shot-put three-point shot. After a while, we will

probably forget that he has one of the most fatal viruses ever known to man. That lesson, in itself, is reason enough for the world to see Magic play ball. I can't wait.

St. Anthony and Christ The King headline 1992 Metro Classic

NEW YORK — National high school hoops stars St. Anthony of Jersey City and Christ the King of Middle Village will be the favorites in the Third Annual Metro Classic — one of the year's premier showcases of top-flight high school basketball talent in the metropolitan area.

Putting two teams each from New York (Christ the King and Long Island Lutheran) and New Jersey (St. Anthony and Christian Brothers Academy), the Metro Classic matches the teams from each state in the semifinals, guaranteeing a New York-New Jersey final for the bragging rights to both sides of the Hudson. Set to tip off Friday, February 7, with the championship round on Saturday, February 8, the tournament will take place at the Rothman Center, on the Hackensack campus of Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Ranked as high as fifth in recent national polls, St. Anthony, the two-time defending champion, enters the tournament led by 6'7" senior forward and Kentucky signee Rodrick Rhodes, a two-time Parade Magazine All-American. The Christ the King, who is no less regarded in national polls, will be led by 6'6" senior forward Jason Coppola. Christian Brothers Academy of Lincoln, New Jersey will feature 6'3" senior guard Keith Kurowski, an early singe with Notre Dame, while Long Island Lutheran will travel to FDU's Rothman Center as one of New York State's top ranked independent basketball programs. The Crusaders feature a talented foursome of seniors, led by the four-year letterman, 6'6" center/forward, Omar Sharief.

Tickets for the 1992 Metro Classic are on sale now. Prices are \$9.00 for limited reserved seats and \$7.00 for general admission. Tickets are available at the Garden box office, the Rothman Center box office, all Ticketmaster outlets or through participating schools. For Madison Square Garden ticket information, call (212) 465-MSGI or for the Rothman Center box office call (201)

As I See It

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board to put the issue of the clerk behind them.

Essex County has some serious financial problems and taxpayer money needs to be put to better use than supplying a regular forum for debating who's in and who's out of a juicy political plum.

We also shouldn't be fooled by Heather Clay's request she be paid \$20,000 less than Davis. On the surface such a gesture may appear to be altruistic but Ms. Clay can well afford to work for less because she is a wealthy woman and could probably win lots of support for her side if she offered herself as a dollar-a-year employee. That would really save beleaguered taxpayers a lot of money in salary and benefits.

The inherent danger in the tickering on the East Orange City Council and Board of Freeholders is that the subtle move to divide black against black is finding fertile ground.

When the smoke has cleared the danger is that the position of black elected officials will be so severely weakened we may have to reinvent the wheel to get back the status we have been painstaking building for the last two decades.

307-7171, (201) 507-8900 or (516) 888-9000.

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